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AS MOFA HAD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED, FOREIGN MINISTER PAK RAISED OUESTION OF CONGRESSIONAL SUBPOENA OF KOREAN UN MISSION'S BANK RECORDS JUNE 9, ASKING FOR CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE'S MOTIVATION AND DEPARTMENT'S POSITION. I TOLD FORNMIN I DID NOT KNOW REASONS FOR SUBPOENA, THEN WENT ON TO EXPLAIN FULLY OUR POSITION AS DESCRIBED REFTEL, EMPHASIZING THAT ROK UN OBSERVER OFFICE AND STAFF WOULD BE EVEN LESS LIKELY TO QUALIFY FOR IMMUNITY FROM SUBPOENA THAN ROK EMBASSY WAS LAST FALL. PAK CONCLUDED CORRECTLY THAT IT APPEARED DEPARTMENT NOT PREPARED TO INTERVENE, NOTING ALSO THAT ROKG OF COURSE HAD DIFFERENT OPINION. I MADE POINT TO PAK THAT DEPARTMENT BELIEVES FURTHER RESOLUTION THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE PURSUED BY ATTORNEYS. WHEN PAK ASKED IF CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE COUNSEL WAS PREPARED TO CONSULT ON QUESTION, I SAID I ASSUMED SO. FORNMIN CONCLUDED, SAYING THAT ROKG WOULD TAKE OUR POSITION UNDER CONSIDERATION.

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